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Bomb Wing rocks inspection

Dyess first ACC base to score 'outstanding' in four years

By Airman 1st Class Carolyn Viss
7th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Team Dyess scored an overall "outstanding" on the operational readiness inspection that ran from Feb. 28 through March 3. The base theater was packed before the announcement was made Monday morning. Folks who had arrived only 25 minutes early needed to squeeze against the wall and stand. The air was thick with emotion. A power point presentation full of photos taken by the base visual information department welcomed

the wing. Chief Master Sgt. Paul Wheeler, 7th Bomb Wing command chief, called the room to attention for the commanders and inspector general teams in one loud bellow, and Colonel Michael Rollison, Air Combat Command IG team chief, then announced the outcome of the ORI, amid the noise of air horns and patriotic music. "We were truly impressed," Colonel Rollison said. "Keep up the great work. Speaking on behalf of the IG team, I say we would be proud to go to war and fight alongside the 7th Bomb Wing any time, any place."

Nearly 150 of the 1,200-plus individuals who participated in the ORI were noted as being Team Dyess' "superior performers" along with about 20 team units. "This validates what we knew already - that we're the best," said Col. James Hammes, 7th BW IG. "I told you we'd score an 'outstanding.'"

Dyess is the first base in the



Photos by Staff Sgt. Araceli Alarcon

7th Communications Squadron personnel transport "injured" personnel during the operational readiness inspection March 3. Dyess scored "outstanding" in the inspection. The entire base was tested on its ability to survive and operate in a deployed environment.

ACC to score an outstanding since January 2002, and the first to score at or above an excellent in the last 20 months. "Scoring a 'satisfactory' rating would mean that you have met the demanding standards of an inspection," Colonel Rollison said. "But you went over and above and proved that you do world-class work." Colonel Garrett Harencak, 7th BW commander, concurred. "We already knew we were the best," he said. "We needed to validate it with an 'outstanding,' and we did."

His opening speech to the

Airman 1st Class Andrew Martin, 7th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, taxis aircraft March 3 during the operational readiness inspection.



By Airman 1st Class Carolyn Viss
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A 7th Logistics Readiness Squadron fuels specialist is able to put down his study materials for a few more years because he was awarded his fifth stripe via the Stripes for Exceptional Performers program at a wing function Monday. Members of the 7th Bomb Wing were assembled at the Wash Rack to celebrate Dyess' outstanding score on the operational readiness inspection when Col. Garrett Harencak, 7th Bomb Wing commander, called Staff Sgt. Bradley Mercer to the front of the room. Colonel Harencak told the room that Sergeant Mercer had been named one of the ORI's superior performers. Sergeant Mercer accepted the applause and congratulations from Colonel Harencak and Chief Master Sgt. Paul Wheeler, 7th Bomb Wing command chief, as he held his two-year-old son, Canaan. His wife, Melody, and their four-month-old daughter, Mackenzie, smiled from the audience. As Sergeant Mercer prepared to leave the platform, both the colonel and the chief stopped him in his tracks and abruptly announced this was the perfect time to promote him. They presented Sergeant Mercer with his new stripe before a standing ovation.

The shock on Sergeant Mercer's face was evident. He choked back tears and wiped his sweaty palms on his BDU pants after putting his son down. "I thought I might drop him or pass out," Sergeant Mercer said. "I'm just amazed. Words don't describe it enough. I was just up there trying to keep my knees steady."

He said he was scheduled to test for the third time Wednesday. Chief Master Sergeant Thomas Buchanan, 7th LRS fuels manager, said Sergeant Mercer is more than deserving of this STEP promotion. "He has a proven track record ever since he worked for me," Chief Buchanan said. "Besides doing outstanding work, he was also named volunteer of the quarter." He said Sergeant Mercer even took

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Photo by Airman 1st Class Chris Walkenhorst

Staff Sgt. Bradley Mercer, 7th Logistics Readiness Squadron, gets his technical sergeant stripes "tacked" on by Col. Garrett Harencak, 7th Bomb Wing commander (left), and Chief Master Sgt. Paul Wheeler, 7th Bomb Wing command chief (right), during the operational readiness inspection post-party here Monday.

By Senior Airman James Schenck
7th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

A 7th Maintenance Operations Squadron technical sergeant got a welcomed surprise of her own even before the results of the operation readiness inspection were announced. Before a crowd of her co-workers and superiors, Tech. Sgt. Donna Paredez was awarded her master sergeant stripe by Col. Garrett Harencak, 7th Bomb Wing commander, Monday in a Stripes for Exceptional Performers ceremony. "It's amazing," said Sergeant Paredez, "I don't know what to say." The maintenance data systems analysis NCO has been leading her shop, a master sergeant's slot, for a year. "It's a great feeling to know somebody that put in hard work in a flight without high visibility is getting rewarded," said

Maj. Matthew Paskin, 7th MOS. "She had the leadership; now she has the rank," he said. Her husband, Tech. Sgt. Joey Paredez, 317th MOS, was on hand to tack on the extra stripe with the help of Colonel Harencak, who described the promotion as "well deserved." Sergeant Paredez was humbled by the award, yet confident that she could handle the increased responsibility. "My leadership put in a lot of effort to get me this," she said, "and I will live up to their expectations." Sergeant Paredez said she had stepped up in the shop, but the troops under her deserved credit as well. This sentiment was echoed by Colonel Harencak during the ceremony. "This is for what you all do," he said speaking of both the shop and the 7th MOS.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Chris Walkenhorst

Technical Sgt. Donna Paredez, 7th Maintenance Operations Squadron, gets her new master sergeant stripes "tacked" on by Col. Garrett Harencak, 7th Bomb Wing commander (left), and her husband, Tech. Sgt. Joey Paredez, 317th MOS (right), Monday.

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Supervisors, core values contribute to success of future leaders

By Master Sgt. Antonio Forty
7th Mission Support Squadron First Sergeant

You are part of the greatest Air Force in the world, and together we make it so. Our daily contribution to the constant and ever-changing profession of arms helps us achieve this feat. According to AFI 36-2618, Enlisted Force Structure, the core values of Integrity, Service Before Self, and Excellence are the basis for Air Force policies, guidance and overall focus. Without these values the essence of profession of arms would be compromised. The Air Force understands the necessity to instill the principle of the profession of arms and does so in nearly every Professional Military Education course from Airman Leadership School to Air War College. But where are these lessons mostly employed and displayed? I say they're found within the supervisor. Supervisors are so involved in the lives of their Airmen, providing invaluable insight to Air Force standards. They also have the most influence in an Airman's life. Supervisors of all ranks and duty positions directly contribute to the success of our future leaders. Violating any of the core values or AF standards could have an exponential negative affect on subordinates, they become reluctant to "listen" to someone they feel has failed the system. One such violation is gossip. This slow killer can trigger serious internal damage within the ranks and may cause people to harbor ill intent and actions toward others.

In fact, nothing good comes from the spread of gossip. It can have devastating affects, from a single person to an entire organization. Supervisors who pass on corporate knowledge and mentoring to their Airmen produce informed, intelligent decision-makers. The first-line supervisor through the seasoned manager should pass on these lessons creating the professional Airman. The enlisted force structure states we are to assume increased supervisory and leadership responsibilities. The method in assuming these responsibilities are directly dependent on the technical knowledge an individual possesses as well as what is gleaned from supervisors. Although we are never relieved of supervising others, we make our management and leadership undertaking more efficient by guiding subordinates in the use of Air Force instructions and ensuring that Air Force Core Values become a way of life. These approaches minimize distractions and allow future leaders to focus their energy on supervising their subordinates. Finally, the role of supervisors has never been more important. With the streamlining of manning levels throughout the military today we are compelled to empower our emerging leaders with more responsibility. They will wear many hats and undertake countless new challenges; all the while, supervisors will be "looking back" from the lead position guiding, mentoring and encouraging them while maintaining the greatest Air Force.

COMMANDER'S CORNER

Wow! The "outstanding" rating you all achieved on our operational readiness inspection was awe inspiring to witness. I have spent my entire adult life in the United States Air Force, and I have never seen and will certainly never see again an inspection team more impressed with the attitude, expertise and dedication of a unit they were inspecting. All across the base, in every group and at every level, Team Dyess professionals scored an unprecedented number of outstanding and excellent ratings that led to the first "outstanding" rating for any ACC unit since January of 2002! The warrior ethic and supreme dedication of all of Team Dyess has resulted in enormous success in this inspection and in our combat operations all around the globe. All of us should be proud of the incredible performance, but, most importantly, you should all be proud of what you do each and every day for Team Dyess, our Air Force, and our great nation. You are the best, and you proved it to Air Combat Command and our entire Air Force!



Col. Garrett Harenca
7th Bomb Wing commander

Why I opt to stay 'blue'

By Senior Master Sgt. Thomas Bradley
7th Operations Group superintendent

On Nov. 27, 2004, I woke up feeling absolutely no differently than I had when I went to bed the night before. Something about the date tickled my thoughts as I drank my coffee, ate my breakfast (healthier than it used to be, by the way) and got ready for another great day in the Air Force. It wasn't until I pulled up to the gate and passed the "Welcome to Dyess" sign when I realized ... Happy Anniversary! No, I hadn't forgotten my marriage date (whew!) ... 20 years previously, on that date, I had arrived at sunny Lackland AFB, Texas, and started my Air Force career. I remember feeling nervous, excited and absolutely uncertain of what the heck I'd gotten myself into, I looked around at the rest of my "rainbow flight" going through the "pick-em-up/put-em-down drill" (Okay, so maybe my looking around had something to do with the extended duration of that drill) and realized that they all had similar expressions-shock, confusion and excitement all warring for control, ultimately compromising into one intense facial expression worn for most of the next six weeks. After meeting my 53 new best friends, and working together with them to overcome the challenges of basic training, I learned that teamwork would get me through a lot of similar challenges in my remaining three years, 10 and one-half months. I can remember getting to my first duty station and looking around at the NCOs and SNCOs that I worked for. Some of

them had been in an extraordinarily long time, 20-plus years. I couldn't understand why they were bothering to hang around when they could retire at any time. Didn't they realize there were better things outside the gate? After all, I was pretty sure I could get a pretty decent job at the end of my remaining three years, two months, and 28 days - and I could choose what I wanted to wear. Nobody would make me do that mile-and-a-half run every year, either But there was that teamwork thing again. The people I worked with and for had a clear sense of purpose; when those unexpected challenges came up (inspections, exercises, weekend duty) everyone pitched in and saw it through to the end. That teamwork and training I received, as a result, gave me a greater sense of confidence than I'd ever had. I felt proud to be part of an organization committed to making a difference. I began to understand why someone would stick around that environment for so long. I felt I owed that feeling of confidence to others, which I could only pass on by committing to another enlistment and getting the opportunity to supervise someone else. Those feelings of teamwork, confidence and the pride I felt in making a difference persisted through that enlistment and the next and the next. So here I am at my sixth duty station, midway through my 22nd year of service, and I work with and for people who have been in a long time. I understand why - and I'm still trying to repay that debt by passing on those feelings. I'll stick around for as long as it takes. By the way, I like running now, guess it grows on you, just like the Air Force does.

TEAM DYESS

FOD Fighter of the Week

Airman 1st Class Walter VanDenOever

Airman 1st Class Walter VanDenOever, 7th Logistics Readiness Squadron fuel truck driver, was assisting with the refueling of a B-1 Lancer when he found a double hose clamp and prevented a possible incident.

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Simulators train Airmen, aviators for success

By Senior Airman James Schenck and 1st. Lieutenant Aaron Hochman-Zimmerman
7th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

As the world’s battlefields and skies change, Air Force training must also adapt and outpace the enemy.

Simulators allow the Air Force to do that.

“I think it’s worthwhile. It’s good for procedural (training),” said Capt. Erich Grade, 9th Bomb Squadron weapon systems officer.

Procedures, such as bomb runs or cargo drops, may take only minutes or seconds of a flight lasting hours. Simulator time allows an individual to practice particular aspects of a flight over and over again or for a crew to learn collectively.

“You can pause it and get instant feedback and try again,” he said. “It’s not real (flying), but it’s better than nothing — It’s

the next best thing.”

Simulators are becoming more complex and can provide more of the advanced training service-members require.

Alton Pitman, 7th Security Forces Squadron, one of the men who operates the small arms simulator, said they are not a replacement for the real thing, but rather add-ons.

Trainees who go through the weapon simulator before going to the range seem to do much better because they are more familiar with what they are about to do, he said.

And the simulator is becoming more applicable to current operational environments.

The small arms simulator is capable of using actual video footage as its background, Mr. Pitman said.

Trainees can fight their way through the streets of Iraq or Afghanistan without ever setting foot on foreign soil.

The simulator can also be

modified to display a dynamic, 360 degree, virtual battlefield.

Although mistakes in the simulator are not fatal, it can fire back with a cannon mounted on the wall over the screen. The cannon fires paintball-sized pellets at a rate of 120 feet per second and has left a few dents in the wall behind the shooting stations.

Simulators do require their own upkeep and maintenance, but often allow training to continue, despite scheduling, weather, and aircraft maintenance concerns. They also have value that extends beyond training.

The C-130 airframe is one of the oldest in the Air Force.

Every hour spent in the simulator is that much less wear and tear on the plane, said Roger Hollowell, 317th Operations Support Squadron simulator instructor and retired C-130 pilot.

One obvious advantage is safety. Cliché perhaps, but flyers are

more valuable than the planes they fly; and mishaps in aircraft are often severe and very costly.

Without the use of simulators, aircrew could not as safely train for dangerous situations. “The value of simulators is impossible to quantify,” Mr. Hollowell said, referring to the lives of aviators.

Simulator operators can show their students the results of deadly situations handled improperly, which without simulators students would see only once in the plane, he said.

The learning environment of the simulator also allows crews to experiment with and possibly develop new procedures and techniques currently unproven for use in the air.

Because of multiple cameras and simulator operators, instructors are also able to gather more comprehensive feedback for their student debriefs, Mr. Hollowell said.

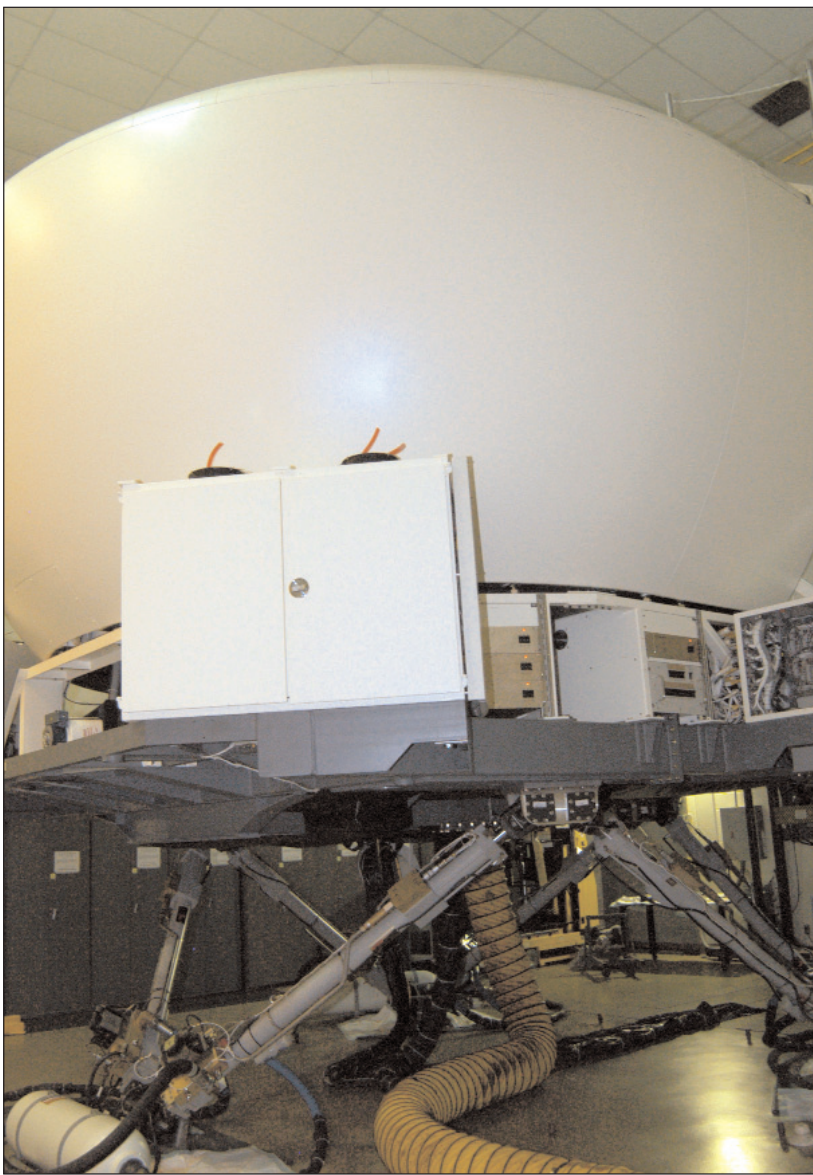
Captain Grade stated the benefit of the simulator simply.

“You can get do-overs,” he said.



Photos by Senior Airman James Schenck

Pictured above is an identical replica of a C-130 cockpit used for flight simulation by aircrew members throughout the Air Force and international air forces. Five projectors light the screen, which wraps around 220 degrees. Right: The entire C-130 simulator can move on multiple axes to provide a life-like ride.



Military relatives part of local band



Above: CORE 47 band members Ashley Anderson, guitar, wife of 9th Bomb Squadron pilot Capt. Tobin Anderson, and Jeremy James, bass guitar, son of retired B-1 maintainer Master Sgt. Dennis James, jam with Matt Parker, drums, in a concert at a local bar March 3.
Right: Cliff Owen, lead guitar, and Matt Parker, drums, keep up the beat to a cover song while performing in Abilene March 3.

By 1st Lieutenant
Aaron Hochman-Zimmerman
7th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

They play what you know and they play what you like, and isn't that really the point?

CORE 47, of local fame, is fueled by performers with direct ties to Dyess. Ashley Anderson, guitar, is the wife of 9th Bomb Squadron pilot Capt. Tobin Anderson; and Jeremy James, bass guitar, is the son of retired B-1 maintainer Master Sgt. Dennis James, 7th Component Maintenance Squadron. Cliff Owen, lead guitar, and Matt Parker, drums, round out the foursome.

The band flows with a comfortable, alternative rock stride. It plays what its crowd wants to hear, but rarely strays from what the radio has already proven successful.

"Radio-friendly alternative rock covers" is how Mr. Parker described the band's sound. "We just like to play it," he said. "We can play something everybody likes."

The band members, like their music, do not have wild aspirations, but play together just for the fun of it.

"I'm not out begging for a record deal," said Mrs. Anderson, who is the most active song writer of the four, but keeps what she describes as her "broken-hearted love songs" for private use only.

Mr. Parker summed up the band's higher purpose: "Make some money, have some fun." he said.

Mrs. Anderson feels their music resonates because they choose songs that "people can relate to from a particular time in their lives."

The four typically make the rounds of Abilene's small venues and have attracted a following, said Tech. Sgt. Dave Rogers, 7th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron defensive avionics technician. Sergeant Rogers is a friend of the band and CORE 47's T-shirt designer.

"It's usually pretty fun; military guys and girls seem to get into it," Mr. Parker said.

"A lot of the crowd is Air Force," Mrs. Anderson said. "They get rowdy. We like that."

The four individually show talent and even blend well together, but are hampered, like so many bands, by the realities of the working world.

"We all have day jobs and have no place to practice. We're just kind of going with it right now," said Mr. James, who described the band members as "weekend warriors" who practice "at every show."

The band, which has been together for two and a half years, is impressed with itself for lasting longer than many cover bands.

Conflicting personalities or taste in music have never made serious trouble for CORE 47.

"We don't turn down many songs," Mr. Owen said of the band's play list.

"Except the Jeremy ones," Mrs. Anderson said with a smile.

Each of the four spoke about how beneficial it has been to play in a band and share their talents with each other and fans.

"There's no better experience than being in a band," Mrs. Anderson said for the benefit of anyone who may be learning to play by themselves. "I've gotten a lot better," she said, since joining the band.

The origin of the name CORE 47 is closely guarded.



"It's kind of a stupid story," Mr. Parker said before refusing to tell it. "Mystery sounds better than the truth."

They do not have stars in their eyes over selling out a stadium or have grand plans for the future.

For now, they said, they just intend to keep playing.

When asked about the future, Mrs. Anderson said "You don't think about it when you're doing what you love."

AFAF to kick off fund drive Monday

Air Force Assistance Fund raises money for Airmen via Air Force Aid Society, Air Force Village, Air Force Enlisted Village and LeMay Foundation

By Capt. Laressa Wong
436th Training Squadron,
base AFAF project officer

What do the Air Force Aid Society, Air Force Village, Air Force Enlisted Village, and the General and Mrs. Curtis E. LeMay Foundation have in common? They are all charitable organizations the annual Air Force Assistance Fund campaign helps raise money for in order to assist hundreds of thousands of Airmen Air Force-wide.

Starting Monday and lasting for six weeks, Dyess Airmen will have the opportunity to give back to and donate for needy Airmen via the AFAF fund drive.

Last year, Dyess collected more than \$84,000 and exceeded its goal by collecting 103 percent. Team Dyess' donations helped the Air Force raise \$7.3 million.

This year, Dyess' goal is to collect

\$80,000. All donations will go directly to the four charitable organizations which support Air Force active-duty, Reserve, guard members, retirees and dependents.

The first organization, Air Force Aid Society, is set up to support active-duty Air Force members. Through the family support center, the AFAS supports programs such as "Give Parents a Break," "Bundles for Babies," and "Phone Home." In addition, emergency aid and loans are provided to Airmen in need of financial support for anything from medical support to car trouble to emergency travel. Last year, AFAS provided \$434,000 in support initiatives to Dyess Airmen.

"(AFAS) is a vital part of the Air Force," said Peggy Ross, base AFAS coordinator. "It's a non-profit organization that is here only to benefit the Air Force."

The other three organizations specifical-

ly support retirees, widows and widowers. The LeMay Foundation provides financial grants to indigent widows and widowers of officers and enlisted people so they may continue to live in their own homes. Grants may help cover food, rent and medical costs.

The Air Force Enlisted Village Indigent Widow's Fund and Air Force Village Indigent Widow's Fund provide financial aid to residents living in the Air Force villages. The organizations' support allows residents to stay in the villages especially during financially difficult times.

The Air Force Enlisted Village, which is located in Fort Walton Beach, Fla., is a retirement community for indigent widows and widowers of retired enlisted members. The community has more than 365 independent-living apartments and 65 assisted-living residences.

The Air Force Village, which is located in San Antonio, has two campuses that support a life-care community for retired officers, spouses, widows or widowers, and family members. The Air Force Village Indigent Widow's Fund provided more than \$900,000 in financial aid last year.

Each year, the campaign is a huge success. It's based on the goodwill of Airmen looking to help each other out during hard times. This year's campaign will be no different. Individuals and organizations may donate and host fundraising events to support AFAF.

For more information and to learn how to donate, Airmen may contact their AFAF representatives or the base AFAF project officers, Capt. Laressa Wong, 696-5523, and Capt. Jon Shaffer, 696-2781.

This year's campaign runs through April 23.

Airmen help provide Iraq's new air force a place to call home

By Master Sgt. Will Ackerman
447th Air Expeditionary Group
Public Affairs

NEW AL MUTHANA AIR BASE, Iraq – Iraq's new air force flying operations have received much publicity recently. But a military must have a base to call home. A team of Airmen spent more than a year helping the Iraqi air force establish its "only" base with a support unit.

About a year ago, the New Al Muthana Air Base was just a shell.

The base, about eight miles southwest of Baghdad and adjacent to Baghdad International Airport, had an old aircraft hangar that suffered substantial damage from the coalition war against the old regime.

But like a phoenix rising from the ashes, the American Airmen helped their Iraqi partners raise the new air base from the ground up. The Iraqi Ministry of Defense formally stood up the new air base and its C-130 Hercules unit,

the 23rd Squadron, in a ceremony March 7.

"The place was just a construction site," said Capt. Greg Holmgren, Multinational Security Transition Command Iraq, Coalition Air Force Transition Team base defense adviser. "One of the greatest things about coming here when the place was torn up has been watching the place develop."

Although civilian contractors built facilities including dormitories, operations offices and a dining facility, Airmen trained the Iraqis about mission support functions including communications, security forces, civil engineering, contract monitoring and unit administration.

Col. Richard Haddad, the senior transition team director here, said those folks spend unlimited time trying to get the Iraqi airmen to understand the way a base should be run.

For both the flying and base support operations, communication equipment is critical.

As a U.S. communications adviser here, Staff Sgt. Timothy Ragel has helped the Iraqi airmen plan and start to build their communications infrastructure.

"Most Iraqis talk on wireless phones, because (landline) infrastructure is just not here in Iraq," he said.

He's also trained them in basic communication skills such as computers, tactical radios, hardware switches and routers. Although the United States gave the Iraqi airmen some computers to get started, not everyone will initially have a computer.

"The biggest challenge is getting them up to speed with technology," Sergeant Ragel said.

Although the American civil engineers have not built the buildings that make up the new air base, they are teaching the Iraqi airmen to ensure the contractors' work is up to acceptable building standards. But the main focus now is teaching the Iraqis how to maintain the new facilities.

"The key is finding the right people with the right expertise and the right tools to (maintain the facilities) in a safe way," said Master Sgt. Carlos Aponte.

"Right now the (Iraqi airmen) are relying on the contractors. I am trying to make them realize the buildings will need maintaining," he said.

To ensure the security of the new air base, Captain Holmgren teaches the Iraqis how to protect it. He's helped them establish and operate an armory and run a security forces flight plus he taught them different base defense skills.

"The safety and security is critical to this base," he said. "We want to put them on their feet so they can ensure positive security once we are gone."

Captain Holmgren said they've also had to install a paradigm shift from the old Iraqi regime.

"Many of them were used to the old way, when they wouldn't do anything without being told to

do it," he said. "I am teaching the NCOs to take initiative and make decisions."

The U.S. Airmen realize they are making history and new friends.

The 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing commander at Balad Air Base, Iraq, recently put their work into perspective.

"You guys are 'pioneers,'" said Brig. Gen. Frank Gorenc during a recent visit.

Shifting old paradigms and building a new air force is the mission of this team. But they are also building partners in peace and new friendships.

The New Al Muthana Air Base vice commander said the biggest challenge is "trust."

"If you succeed with the trust, then you can make anything happen," Colonel Mohammed said.

"There is a unique relationship between the (U.S. Airmen) and the (Iraqi airmen). They are like family. It does not feel like work."



Photo by Airman 1st Class Chris Walkenhorst

TEAM DYESS
Warrior of the Week
Staff Sgt. Corey Thompson

Unit: Detachment 20
Job title: B-1 aviation maintenance technology instructor
Job description: To train and prepare Airmen in system theories of operation, troubleshooting, component removal, and replacement
Time in the Air Force: 10 years
Time at Dyess: Nine years
Marital status: Wife, Lindsey; daughter, Ava
Hometown: Azle, Texas
Most rewarding job aspect: Watching Airmen successfully accomplish the mission by using the knowledge that I have given them
Career goals: To make it to the top of the enlisted ranks ahead of my peers
What you like most about Dyess: Being close to home in a city that is supportive of the military
What you like most about the Air Force: Being able to make a difference in the security and well-being of our country
Best Air Force memory: My wife and I met in Abilene, and since then we had a beautiful daughter. Their love and support are the reasons why I am where I am today; and because the Air Force has put me here in Abilene, I owe those memories to them.

(Editor’s note: The Dyess Warrior of the Week is selected by unit commanders, first sergeants or supervisors.)

News Briefs

PSD transformation briefings

Personnel service delivery transformation briefings are scheduled for Monday at 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Wednesday at 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., and Thursday at 6:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. at the base theater.

It is mandatory that all personnel attend one of these briefings.

Space-available travel

Current space-available C-130 flight schedule:

- Today, takes off at 7 a.m. to Scott AFB, Ill., continuing to Brownsville/South Padre Island International Airport, Texas; returns Monday.
- Monday, takes off at 7 a.m. to Lawson Army Airfield, Ga.; returns Thursday.
- Thursday, takes off at 11 a.m. to Edwards AFB, Calif.; returns March 17.
- March 17, takes off at 7:30 a.m. to Kelly AFB, Texas.; returns same day.

All flights are subject to change or cancellation without prior notice. Show time for all flights is two hours prior to scheduled take-off time. All travelers must show their military identification cards plus one additional form of ID. Active duty travelers must possess valid leave orders. The passenger terminal is at Building 4112, Avenue A3.

For all flights scheduled during non-duty hours, travelers must coordinate with the pax terminal by calling 696-4505 or 696-8732.

Emergency notification

Individuals need to ensure their emergency notification information is accurate and up-to-date. This includes family member information and contact information.

The Virtual Record of Emergency Data can be accessed and updated online at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/vs/>. For more information, people may call their commander’s support staff.

Intramural volleyball

The intramural volleyball season is scheduled to begin soon.

A coaches meeting is scheduled for Monday at 1 p.m. at the fitness center basketball court.

Coaches are asked to bring their letters of intent. LOI’s may be picked up from unit sports representatives.

For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Trevor Jackson at 696-1653.

Dyess Top Three meeting

A Dyess Top Three meeting is scheduled for Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Heritage Club.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Jean Fontenot at 696-3743.

Tuition assistance

All Air Force personnel receiving tuition assistance must send a copy of the approved tuition assistance form to their schools.

Students who fail to do so may be disenrolled from their courses.

Schools cannot seek payment from the

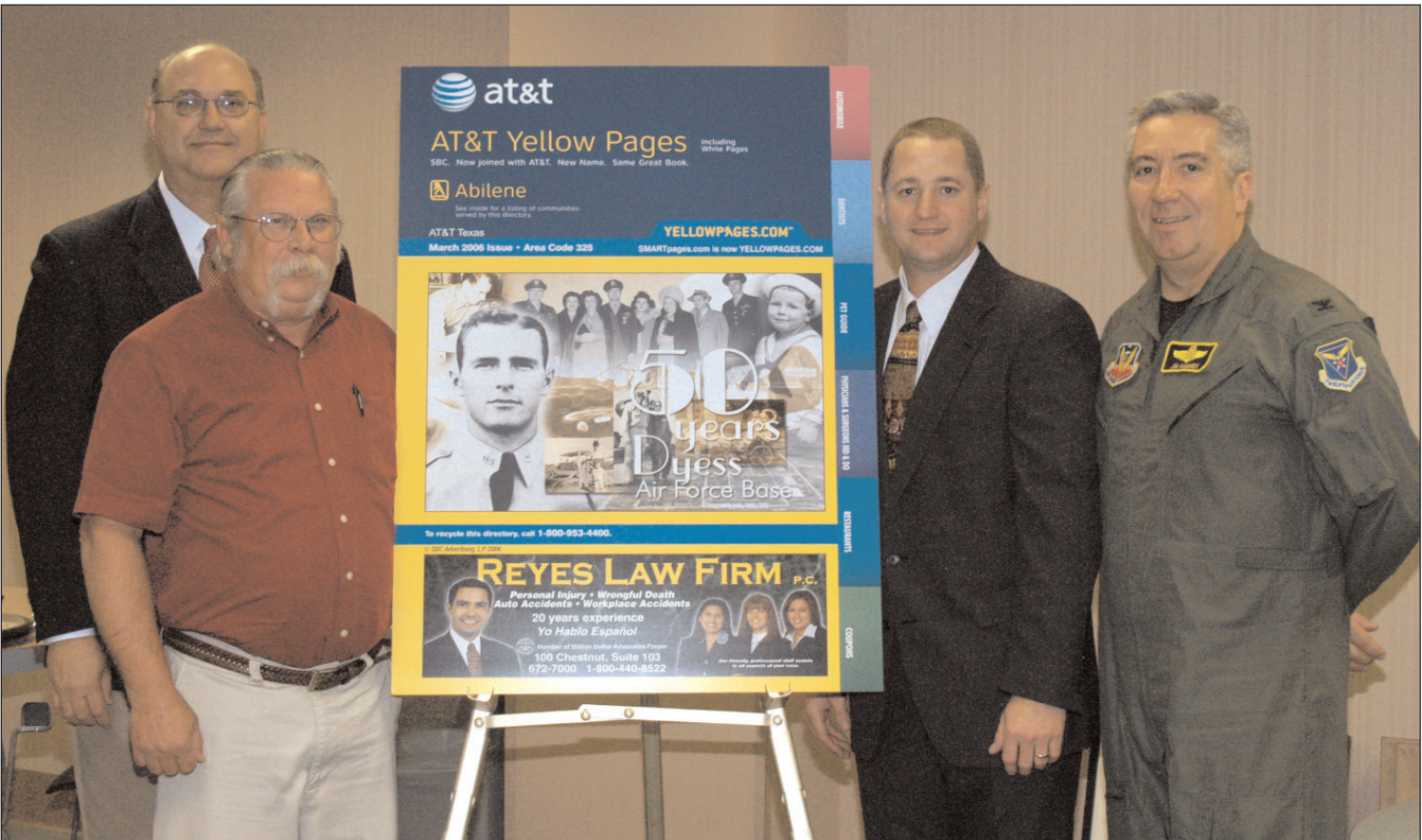


Photo by Capt. Paula Bissonette

Dyess featured on area-wide phonebook

The cover of the new Yellow Pages phonebook is unveiled in a ceremony Wednesday. From left to right, Randy Teakell, Abilene-area manager for external affairs, Richard Warner, base museum curator, Donald Spoon, AT&T area sales manager, and Col. Jim Hammes, Dyess’ inspector general, stand with the display of the new phonebook’s cover. AT&T expects to distribute more than 115,000 copies of this phonebook featuring Lt. Col. William Dyess and his family, as well as the 50th anniversary of Dyess Air Force Base.

Air Force without a copy of the approved tuition assistance form.

The Dyess Education Center is not authorized to send a copy of the approved form to schools; it must be done by the student as part of the enrollment process.

For more information, call William Phillips at 696-5545 or e-mail william.phillips@dyess.af.mil.

AEF Welcome Home Party

An aerospace expeditionary force Welcome Home Party is scheduled for March 17 from noon to 4 p.m. at the 7th Equipment Maintenance Squadron hangar.

Airmen who have recently returned from a deployment are encouraged to wear their deployed uniform to be recognized. Family and friends are welcome, and activities for children are scheduled to be provided.

Parking will be available at the fitness center and the 28th Bomb Squadron lemon lot. Buses are scheduled to run from the parking lots to the 7th EMS hangar.

For more information, call Pat Trail at 696-2141.

Dorm superintendent needed

The base housing office is looking for a dormitory superintendent. Applicants must hold the rank of master sergeant, have completed Senior NCO Academy, and have computer and communication skills.

Dormitory superintendents oversee six dorm managers and 12 dormitories.

Tour length for this position is two years with an optional one-year extension.

Applicants must not currently hold an Air Force Specialty Code receiving a selective reenlistment bonus, and cannot be on a

profile prohibiting them from performing all duties assigned to a dormitory superintendent

Interested applicants may submit resumes to the base housing office no later than April 5. Airmen must also have a letter from their squadron commander stating that they will be released from their current job.

For more information, call Dawn Davis-Spector at 696-4814.

Watch for myPay copy-cat

The Air Force is asking personnel to be aware of myPay look-alike web sites. Several sites have popped up with “myPay” in their web addresses.

These sites are not affiliated with the Defense Finance and Accounting Service but request personal information that, if provided, could be detrimental to the member. The only official myPay website is <https://myPay.DFAS.mil>.

Little league coaches

Coaches are needed for the Dyess little league program. There are openings in four leagues: PeeWees, 3- to 4-year-olds; T-ball, 5- to 6-year-olds; Minors, 7- to 8-year-olds; Majors, 9- to 12-year-olds.

For more information, call Andrea Short at 696-4797 or Billy Spencer at 696-5070.

MPOY golf tournament

The second annual Military Person of the Year golf tournament is scheduled for March 17 beginning at noon at the Mesquite Grove Golf Course.

It will be a four-person scramble with a shotgun start. There is a \$30-entry fee, which includes greens fees and cart rental. Prizes will be awarded for longest drive and closest shot to the pin.

For more information, call Senior Master Sgt. Mark Matta 696-3340.

ANG openings

The New York Air National Guard’s 106th Rescue Wing from Westhampton, N.Y., has several full- and part-time openings. The 106th flies HC-130’s and HH-60’s. Full-time maintenance positions include engine mechanic, survival equipment, aerospace ground equipment, and aircraft mechanic.

Part-time positions are open in all maintenance areas.

For more information, call Col. Robert Landsiedel at 800-856-3573, ext. 7497.

Air Force cookbook

A new cookbook is in the works, and the author wants recipes. The book, *Best of the Best from Air Force Families Cookbook*, will

feature more than 350 recipes from anyone who is or was in the Air Force and their families.

Recipes may be submitted to Karen Tosten, 122 Hedgerow Lane, Yorktown, VA 23693, e-mail to ktosten@cox.net, fax to 757-867-8916.

Submitters are asked to provide their names, cities and states, relationships to the Air Force, and phone numbers or e-mail addresses.

The deadline for submission is May 31.

For more information, call Ms. Tosten at 757-867-8916.

This is a Secretary of The Air Force Public Affairs National Media approved program and United States Department of Agriculture food program.

Providers are also eligible for tax deductions.

For more information, call Michelle Beaulieu at 696-2839.

Family child care

The family child care office is looking for providers. Training is free, and providers have access to an extensive lending program and United States Department of Agriculture food program.

Providers are also eligible for tax deductions.

For more information, call Michelle Beaulieu at 696-2839.

Scholarships

NMFA scholarship

The National Military Family Association is now accepting applications for the Joanne Holbrook Patton Military Spouse Scholarships.

Scholarships are normally \$1,000 and may be used for tuition, fees, books and room and board.

Applications may be submitted online until midnight April 15.

For additional eligibility criteria or more information, visit www.nmfa.org/scholarships2006.

DeCA scholarship

The Defense Commissary Agency is offering scholarships of \$1,500 to students in 2006.

Applications are being accepted through Wednesday. For eligibility requirements or more information, applicants may visit the website <http://militaryscholar.org>.

Chief’s Group scholarship

The Chief’s Group is accepting applications for scholarships.

Applications may be obtained from high school counselors, the family support center, or any active-duty chief. Applications must be postmarked by April 15 and mailed to Dyess Chief’s Group, Scholarship Chairman, P.O. Box 9785, Dyess AFB, TX 79607-0785.

For information regarding eligibility criteria, call Chief Master Sgt. Stephen Bush at 696-2857.

DOSC scholarship

The Dyess Officers’ Spouses’ Club is accepting scholarship applications through close of business today.

Applications may be picked up at Dyess Lanes, the Heritage Club, the Hangar Center, the base family support center, library, youth center, thrift shop, education center, and any Abilene area high school or college.

Previous Dyess OSC scholarship winners are ineligible to re-apply.

For additional eligibility criteria or more information, call Jody Hammes at 793-1513.

Dyess Chapel

Nursery and children’s church are available at all services. For information on Jewish services, call Maj. Matt Paskin at 696-1530. For information about other services, call the chapel at 696-4224.

Catholic worship schedule:

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| Saturday: | Reconciliation — 4 p.m. Mass — 5 p.m. |
| Sunday: | Mass — 9 a.m. Confraternity of Christian Doctrine — 11 a.m. Mass — 11:30 a.m. |

Protestant worship schedule:

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| Sunday: | Sunday school — 9:45 a.m. Traditional worship service — 11 a.m. Gospel service — 12:30 p.m. |
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Jewish services:

A Jewish service is scheduled for March 17 at 7 p.m. at Temple Mizpah, 849 Chestnut St.

The BIG Screen

Today, Saturday at 7 p.m.
Underworld: Evolution
Kate Beckinsale, Scott Speedman

A war emerges between the aristocratic Death Dealers and the barbaric Lycans (werewolves), stemming from an ancient feud between the two tribes. Selene, the beautiful vampire heroine, and Michael, the lycan hybrid, try to unlock the secrets of their bloodlines. Their forbidden love takes them into the battle to end all wars as the immortals must finally face their retribution.

Rated R (violence, gore, sexuality, nudity, language) 106 min.

The Dyess Theater is located next to the main exchange. Patrons must have a valid identification card and may sponsor guests.

Admission for adults is \$3, children 6-12 years old are \$1.50, and children ages 6 and younger are admitted free. Admission for G-rated movies is \$1.50 for children between the ages 2-12.

For more information, call the base theater at 696-4320.

Saturday, Sunday at 2 p.m.
Big Momma’s House 2
Martin Lawrence, Nia Long

In the continuing adventures of master-of-disguise FBI special agent Malcolm Turner, he must go undercover as Big Momma to nail his ex-partner’s murderer. While undercover in the house of the suspected criminal, Malcolm grows attached to the suspect’s three children.

Rated PG13 (sexual humor, drug reference) 99 min.

Ammo explodes against maintainers, 52-34

By Capt. Brandon Pollachek
7th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Tuesday morning’s intramural 30-and-over basketball playoff action saw the number-one-ranked 7th Munitions Squadrons team control all facets of the game as they downed the 7th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron/Maintenance Operations Squadron team 52-34.

Behind the strength of MUNS’ two workhorses, Ricky Youngblood and Bradley Scruggs, they were able to easily stifle the maintainers’ offense and light up the scoreboard with an impressive in-and-out style offense.

Scruggs got MUNS out of the blocks early with numerous long-range jump shots, staking them to an early 10-point lead.

The maintainers scored only two points in the first six minutes of the game and failed to capitalize on frequent trips to the free-throw line.

Throughout the first half, the two-man game between Scruggs and Youngblood proved beneficial for both as Scruggs hit three 3-pointers and allowed Youngblood to receive entry passes with only one defender on him, leaving him with easy bank shots deep in the paint.

“Scruggs is a great outside shooter, and his contributions from the outside opens

up things for our team on the inside where we have a strong game,” said Youngblood.

After being burned by a couple of easy baskets, courtesy of Youngblood sending out assists from the low post to MUNS 3-point threats in Scruggs and Jewell Moore, the maintainers were forced to take a time-out to stop the onslaught.

“The key to my team’s success in the game today was defense, we played very good defense.”

Ricky Youngblood
7th MUNS coach

Following the time-out with 8:30 left on the clock, the maintainers’ offense began to show some life as they broke an eight-minute scoring drought with a free throw and followed up with the second field goal of the game leaving MUNS up 24-10.

The MUNS’ ball control offense proved too tough as they continued to pull away, including a nifty inbound pass from Moore to Wilbert Terrell for an easy lay-up under the basket. With only two minutes remaining in the half the maintainers found themselves down by 19 points.

Even though they had several steals that led to fast breaks, they couldn’t capitalize as

they missed back-to-back lay-ups.

The end of the half had MUNS up 31-15 led by Scruggs’ 14 points.

Scoring in the second half would prove to be tough for both teams as the large lead and increased defensive pressure slowed down the pace of the game.

The Maintainers did find some hope with passes into the high-post that Dennis Waigand turned into consecutive buckets and free-throws.

As the game approached the 10-minute mark of the second half, MUNS still maintained a comfortable 44-20 lead.

With five minutes left in the game, Moore pushed the lead to 26 points with another 3- pointer on his way to a 13-point game.

Although MUNS stopped pushing the ball, the Maintainers made the score respectable with some outside shooting by Waingard and managed to end the game 52-34.

“The key to my team’s success in the game today was defense, we played very good defense,” said Youngblood. “We know that our team can play offense – that’s no problem, but as long as we play good defense we should do well.”

Scruggs finished with a game high 18 points while Waingard led the way for the Maintaners with his hustle and 14-point effort.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Chris Walkenhorst
Bradley Scruggs, 7th Munitions Squadron, drives for an open shot during Ammo's win Tuesday. He had a game high 18 points.

Air Force’s finest



U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. John E. Lasky
The U.S. Air Forces in Europe Elite Honor Guard presents the colors before a U.S. Men's National Soccer Team match with Poland, March 1, 2006, in Kaiserslautern, Germany. A Polish soldier joined the American honor guard. More than 13,000 soccer fans attended the exhibition match at Fritz-Walter-Stadium. The American team won 1-0.

Sports Briefs

Fitness Center Sports Calendar

The fitness center has announced the upcoming intramural sport s schedules. The schedule included the dates the letters of intent are sent out, the date they are due back to the fitness center, the date of the coaches meeting and when the respective sport is scheduled to begin.

| Sport | LOIs sent out | LOIs due | Coaches meeting | Season begins |
|-------------|---------------|----------|-----------------|---------------|
| Racquetball | Jan. 10 | Jan. 24 | Feb. 25 | March 13 |
| Volleyball* | Feb. 17 | March 13 | March 13 | April 14 |
| Soccer* | March 14 | April 7 | April 12 | April 24 |
| Golf | March 21 | April 15 | April 19 | May 1 |
| Softball* | April 4 | April 22 | April26 | May 8 |
| Tennis | June 1 | June 20 | June 21 | June 10 |

*core sports

Womens Varsity Basketball

Dyess is scheduled to host a women’s varsity basketball tournament this weekend at the fitness center.

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| Saturday | Round 4 |
| Round 1 | Dyess vs. Tinker starts 3 p.m. |
| Dyess vs. Cannon starts 10 a.m. | |
| Round 2 | Sunday |
| Altus vs. Tinker starts 11:30 a.m. | Round 5 |
| Intermission | Cannon vs. Tinker starts 10 a.m. |
| Round 3 | Round 6 |
| Altus vs. Cannon starts 1:30 p.m. | Altus vs. Dyess starts 11:30 a.m. |

Air Force Academy football schedule released

U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. (AFPN) -- A visit to Falcon Stadium by Notre Dame Nov. 11, a season-opening game at national power Tennessee Sept. 9 and conference home games against BYU, Colorado State, New Mexico and Utah highlight the Air Force football schedule, released March 2 by the Mountain West Conference.

The Falcons sandwich the opener with the University of Tennessee between open weeks on Sept. 2, parents weekend at the academy, and Sept. 16. Following the second bye, the Falcons play 11 consecutive weeks to include games on Thanksgiving weekend and the first weekend in December.

Air Force’s first home game isn’t until Sept. 30 against the University of New Mexico, which begins a three-game home stand. The team also plays Navy on Oct. 7 and Colorado State University on Oct. 12. This season marks the seventh time the Falcons and Rams have played on a Thursday. The Falcons then play at San Diego State University Oct. 21 before returning home to take on Brigham Young University Oct. 28.

Air Force plays three of its last five games on the road beginning with Army on Nov. 4 in West Point, N.Y. The team then hosts the University of Notre Dame Nov. 11 and the University of Utah Nov. 18 before closing the season with two road games. Air Force plays at the University of

Nevada-Las Vegas Nov. 24 and at Texas Christian University Dec. 2.

“The schedule is very exciting and challenging. The players and coaches are really looking forward to it with great excitement and anticipation because we expect to be a much-improved football team from a year ago,” said Air Force head coach Fisher DeBerry.

“Two early open dates gives us more time to develop and mature into a competitive football team. We have some concern over having only one home game in September, but we have three of four home games in October when we usually enjoy outstanding football weather," the coach said.

“I think it’s also important to have a string of four of five home games in the middle of the schedule. I believe our conference has more parity than any other, so it will be important to us to play these games in Falcon Stadium. With great fan and cadet wing support, we think Falcon Stadium is as tough a place to play as there is in America,” he said.

Playing 11 consecutive weeks is nothing new to the Falcons. Air Force played 10 straight weeks in 2001 and 2002 and 12 straight weeks in 1997. The Thanksgiving weekend game is the first since the team played at Hawaii on Nov. 24, 2001.

This season marks the ninth time in school history and the first since 2001 the schedule reaches into the first weekend in December. The

Falcons played Utah in Falcon Stadium on Dec. 1, 2001, because of rescheduling caused by the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11.

The team also played in December in 1998 in Las Vegas against BYU in the conference championship game while a member of the Western Athletic Conference. This year’s meeting with TCU is the first regularly scheduled game in December since 1994 when Air Force defeated the University of Hawaii, 37-34, in Honolulu Dec. 3.

Academy ticket prices will not increase this year from the 2005 season and there will be several packages available in all price ranges. Starting March 6, season ticket renewals and an opportunity to purchase new season tickets will be available online only at airforcesports.com. In-person and phone orders will start April 3 along with various mini-plans. The other important dates to keep in mind for tickets are:

May 22: Tennessee tickets on sale to general public

June 1: All other away game tickets on sale to general public

July 1: Individual game ticket sales, except Notre Dame

Aug. 11: Notre Dame tickets go on sale to the general public.

The Falcons open spring football practice March 13. The Blue-Silver Spring Game will conclude spring practice April 15 at Garry Berry Stadium in Colorado Springs.

‘06 Air Force Football Schedule

| Date, Opponent, Series (all-time verses opponent) |
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| Sept. 2 Open |
| Sept. 9 at Tennessee, UT 1-0 |
| Sept. 16 Open |
| Sept. 23 at Wyoming, AF 21-19-3 |
| Sept. 30 New Mexico, AF 14-9 |
| Oct. 7 Navy, AF 25-13 |
| Oct. 12 Colorado State, AF 24-19-1 |
| Oct. 21 at San Diego State, AF 16-8 |
| Oct. 28 BYU, BYU 20-6 |
| Nov. 4 at Army, AF 26-13-1 |
| Nov. 11 Notre Dame, ND 21-5 |
| Nov. 18 Utah, AF 13-9 |
| Nov. 24 at UNLV, AF 8-3 |
| Dec. 2 at TCU, TCU 3-1-1 |

Joint reconstruction teams activated in Afghanistan

By 2nd Lt. Melissa Stevens
Provincial Reconstruction Team Jalalabad

FORT BRAGG, N.C. – More than 1,000 Airmen, Soldiers and Sailors joined ranks to activate Afghanistan Provincial Reconstruction Teams in a ceremony here March 3.

The purpose of the Teams is to help rebuild Afghanistan, ensuring a secure and self-sufficient nation. The Teams have a three-part mission: stabilize the economy, promote security of the nation, and legitimize the central Afghan government.

Twelve teams, each consisting of about 80 members, are currently training here before heading to Afghanistan in April to relieve Army teams. Six teams are led by the Air Force, six by the Navy; and each team consists of a main body of Sailors or Airmen, an Army civil affairs team and an Army security platoon.

Army Col. David Boslego, the commander of the 4th Brigade, 78th Training Division,

trains teams and said this group is unique in that previous teams were formed in theater and most team members were on different rotation cycles, so the development of a cohesive team focused on one goal was tough.

He said this set of teams has been formed here first, will train together as a team and will then depart together for Afghanistan in order to build and maintain cohesion from day one.

“Cohesion is a major goal of this training program,” Colonel Boslego said. “It’s going to allow the PRTs to operate in a more synchronized manner. Everyone will know and be working toward the same objective from the start.”

Lieutenant Col. David Naisbitt, the Jalalabad Provincial Reconstruction Team commander, said he felt this was an outstanding opportunity for the Air Force to participate in a joint environment.

“The development of these teams shows that the U.S. military has a unified commit-

ment to the reconstruction of the government of Afghanistan,” he said. “It shows that we can come together as one unit to help rebuild that nation.”

Navy Cmdr. James Hamblet, the Ghazni Provincial Reconstruction Team commander, agreed and said he viewed this as an additional way in which the Navy is doing its part.

“We’ve been actively involved since day one,” Commander Hamblet said. “This is just another way that the Navy is contributing to the war on terror.”

The commanders said the joint training environment created its own challenges, but servicemembers were handling it quite well.

“We’re all coming together and binding as a team,” Colonel Naisbitt said. “We’re operating together with a single focus – a focus that most didn’t understand before coming here, but were still eager and motivated to support. They’re jumping into the training, keeping their spirits up and really getting into the mission.”

“The Airmen are adapting well,” Colonel Naisbitt said. “This isn’t like any Air Force training we’ve ever had. It’s still early in our training, but we all understand the importance of what we’re doing here.”

Colonel Boslego said the Air Force and Navy both sent talented people to be members of these teams.

“It’s very exciting to work in this type of joint environment,” he said. “I think in the next six weeks, given the talent we have here, we will be able to achieve the level of skill needed so these teams will be able to successfully operate upon arrival in Afghanistan.”

The Army Civil Affairs teams have been training for this mission since October, while Airmen and Sailors began arriving in early January and February. Training for the PRTs consists of country briefings, weapons training, land navigation, combat life saver, information operations and drivers’ training. The teams will continue to train together until the groups depart in April.

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for all of you,” he said. “But we didn’t do this just to impress the IG team. Our mission every day is to hunt down and destroy America’s enemies, and no one else does it better!

“Scoring a ‘satisfactory’ would mean we have lived up to the standard; scoring an ‘outstanding’ means that we have far exceeded the standard in every aspect of this inspection,” he said.

Colonel Harencak said this inspection was very difficult, and it was made even more difficult by the record (90-plus degree) heat.

“Our guys did outstanding this week, even in full combat gear,” he said.

His parting words were more than appropriate to sum up the day: “God bless you, and have a great Air Force day!”

Colonel Robert McCormick, 7th Bomb wing vice commander, said this is not just a great accomplishment for Dyess; it’s



Photo by Staff Sgt. Araceli Alarcon

Dyess Airmen take cover during a simulated missile attack during the operational readiness inspection here March 3.

also a great accomplishment for those individuals who were named outstanding performers.

“This will be an extremely prestigious thing to add to an EPR or OPR,” he said. “For Air Force-level awards, this will

set them apart from everyone else.”

“Thank you for your hospitality and support these last 10 days,” Colonel Rollison said in closing. “Congratulations on your outstanding ORI, and here’s two thumbs up!”

Mercer

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took leave to go to his hometown of Orleans after Hurricane Katrina and help with the relief work on his own time.

But Sergeant Mercer humbly credited his team with his success.

“(These guys I work with) are the only reason I made it,” Sergeant Mercer said.


“I love working with them. They’re like family; they look after me and put me up for this.”

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